



## KING COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

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### QUALITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

Day/Date: Monday, March 26, 2001  
Time: 3:30 – 5:00 PM  
Location: Exchange Building: 810 Second Avenue, Conference Room 6A, Seattle, WA

#### **Members Present:**

Eleanor Owen  
Katherine Halliburton  
Jack Fuller  
Alberto Gallego

#### **Members Absent:**

Janny Becker

#### **Staff:**

Jackie MacLean  
Shelle Crosby

#### **Note Taker:**

Irma Van Buskirk

#### **Call To Order**

Eleanor called meeting to order at 3:35pm.

#### **Approval of Last Minutes**

A quorum was present. The February minutes were approved as written.

#### **Announcements**

There were no announcements.

### **RSN/UBH Update**

Jackie updated members regarding the Joint Legislative Audit Review Committee (JLARC) report that has recommended changes to the funding formula for the Washington Regional Services Support Network (RSNs).

Prior to doing a thorough needs assessment, the state Mental Health Division acted upon the JLARC recommendation and has proposed a re-distribution of state RSN moneys. If approved by the state legislature, it will result in King County RSN (KCRSN) losing approximately 12 million in projected revenues. In addition, should the potential closure of 11 wards at Western State Hospital occur, KCRSN would be responsible to meet the needs of those individuals who are King County residents. The lobbyist hired by King County, continues to pursue our concerns with the Washington state legislature.

Jackie noted that Partnership meeting members voiced concerns about the short time limit allotted them to review the new United Behavioral Health (UBH) Policy & Procedure manual, once it is released. She went on to say that Mental Health, Chemical Abuse and Dependency Services Division (MHCADSD), during the process of implementing this new contract, produced a readiness assessment tool that is being used to measure the progress of UBH in relation to contract requirements. MHCADSD is confident that UBH will continue to meet the requirements set forth in the Request for Proposal.

### **State Performance Indicators**

Shelle handed out a November 29, 2000 draft version of the Washington State Department of Social & Health Services, Mental Health Division, Framework for Defining and Displaying System-Wide Mental Health Performance Indicators.

The draft noted three areas of performance indicators that will be used as system measures: Access, Quality/Appropriateness and Outcome. Quality Council (QC) members are to review the draft report and bring ideas to the next meeting regarding areas they might wish to further pursue.

Eleanor proposed that members think about an appropriate definition of the statement "quality of life".

### **Quality Council Role and Membership**

Shelle encouraged members to look at our broad scope of community and bring ideas to next meeting regarding potential members. Potential members could include clients, board members, and/or family.

**Handouts at this Meeting**

November 29, 2000 Draft: System-Wide Mental Health Performance Indicators

**Future Agenda Items or Enclosures**

State Performance Indicators

Continued discussion on Quality Council role and membership

**Next Meeting**

Next scheduled meeting will be:

Monday, April 23, 2001

Exchange Building, 821 Second Avenue, Conference Room 6A

3:30 – 5:00 PM

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 PM